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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 3431

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM CHAPMAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AEMR, RP, LA

SUBJECT: OPERATION BROTHERHOOD

REF: MANILA 6531

1. WE HAVE REGRETFULLY CONCLUDED THAT LPF HAVE PRETTY WELL MADE UP THEIR MINDS TO REMOVE FOREIGN INFLUENCE, PARTICULARLY AMERICAN, FROM THE LAO COUNTRYSIDE. WE THEREFORE BELIEVE YOU SHOULD COUNSEL OB BOARD ALONG LINES YOU SUGGEST PARA 3 REFTEL. YOU MAY ADD TO THE BOARD ON OUR BEHALF THAT WE CONSIDER THIS A SAD END TO A SPLENDID TWENTY YEAR EFFORT. THE EARLY TERMINATION OF OB WILL RESULT IN A SERIOUS LOSS OF INVALUABLE HUMANITARIAN SERVICES TO A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF THE LAO PEOPLE.

2. MY PESSIMISM IS REINFORCED BY CONVERSATION PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR EVANGELISTA HAD YESTERDAY WITH PHOUMI.

(I HAD URGED FOR SOME TIME AMBASSADOR EVANGELISTA TO CALL ON THE FONMIN TO EXPRESS CONCERN FELT BY
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FILIPINOS HERE.) ACCORDING TO EVANGELISTA, PHOUMI

ASSURED HIM THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAD ORDERED ALL
ALIENS TO BE PROTECTED AND THAT THERE WERE NO BAD
FEELINGS BETWEEN FILIPINOS AND LAO. AMBASSADOR ASKED
PHOUMI FOR HIS VIEWS ON OB. PHOUMI SAID THAT THEY
WELCOMED THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY OB BUT IF THERE
WERE PEOPLE IN OB WHO WANTED TO LEAVE, THE GOVERNMENT
COULD NOT STAND IN THEIR WAY. IN A WORD, PHOUMI
TOOK A COMPLETELY PASSIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE MATTER.
EVANGELISTA BELIEVES THAT THE PL HAVE NOT YET FORMU-
LATED THEIR POLICY ON THE SUBJECT. (COMMENT: WE
HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THEY HAVE.)
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